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Former Medicine Lodge Boy Married

The following account of the marriage of Mr. Harve Boyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Boyd, formerly of this city, is taken from a Des Moines paper. When the family left Medicine Lodge Harve was a small boy about six years old.

"The marriage of Miss Mayme Larkin and Mr. Harve Boyd was solemnized last evening at eight o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. A. Larkin, on Sixteenth street. The ceremony was performed by the Reverend A. B. Leamer of St. John's Lutheran church in the presence of thirty relatives and intimate friends. Following the ceremony a wedding supper was served by the Misses Ruth and Marie Stehm, Florence Christ and Esther Larkin. Among the guests were Miss Mary Smith, Iowa City, and Mrs. Boyd, the groom's grandmother, of Kansas City. Following a trip to Minneapolis, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd will be at home after January 1 at 1100 East Ninth street."

From the same paper the following society note is also taken: PROSPECTIVE BRIDE HONORED

"The wedding of Miss Mayme Larkin to Mr. Harve Boyd will take place Wednesday evening, December 14, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Larkin, on West Sixteenth street. Miss Larkin is a graduate of West, while Mr. Boyd is an alumnus of East High. Mr. Boyd is associated in business with his father, who is a well-known contractor of this city. Miss Larkin will be the recipient of several social courtesies pending her marriage. Miss Julia Dwyer will entertain at a plate shower this evening. Mrs. George Throver will be her hostess at a linen shower tomorrow evening, while Mrs. Frank Stemm will honor her with a handkerchief shower Saturday evening."

"Booze" Selling

J. C. B. Hargis of Hazelton was arrested on a warrant issued by County Attorney Field, on Saturday, charged with violating the prohibition liquor law. A number of sales are alleged.

Mr. Hargis has given bond for his appearance for trial at the February term of the district court. He is one of Hazelton's most prominent citizens and his arrest occasioned considerable surprise.

"Ole Peterson"

Good sized audiences greeted both performances of "Ole Peterson" at the Broadway theater yesterday afternoon and evening. The play had a well defined plot, was wholesome, well constructed and adequately acted. Its incidents, both dramatic and sensational, were interesting, depicting Swedish life in the northwest. The costuming and stage-mounting was good and the cast strong throughout. Many pleasing specialties added to the entertainment.—Albert Lea (Minu.) Tribune.

Hear this splendid company at the opera house Friday night, December 30th.

Cruelty to Animals

County Attorney Field issued a warrant on Saturday for the arrest of R. E. Marshall of Sun City, on a charge of cruelty to animals. It is alleged by neighbors that Mr. Marshall worked a mule that had its hoof cut off to the quick, until it could not walk.

The action was brought in the district court and will not come to trial until February. Mr. Marshall has given bond for his appearance.

Roped a Coyote

Hile Smith distinguished himself recently by roping a coyote at the ranch in Elwood township. There was no foul play about it, either. Hile simply made a run at Mr. Coyote, on horseback, of course, on the open prairie and got him on the first throw. It is the first instance of the kind that has ever come to our notice, and it ought to put Hile in the presidential list.

Entertained

The young people of the Presbyterian church were very pleasantly entertained at the Manse by Reverend and Mrs. Van Horn, last Thursday evening. The entertainment consisted of novel guessing contests, music and games, after which a two-course luncheon was served. At the becoming hour of eleven the guests dispersed, hoping they would always find such delightful hosts as Reverend and Mrs. Van Horn.

Unjust Discrimination

What have the land owners of township 32, range 11, west, of Medicine Lodge township done that they should be punished, by having to pay taxes on 15 per cent more value, as fixed by the township assessor, than the balance of Medicine Lodge township outside of the city? The assessor tried to do his duty and treat all alike in regard to values, and did so to the best of his ability, and as approved (in most instances) by a Board of Review, two as good men for that purpose as could have been selected by the county assessor, S. W. Ireland. Now, as you no doubt understand, the deputy assessor's work is all gone over by a Board of Review, then it is passed up to the county commissioners and they get a whack at it, and by the time they get through with it—well sometimes you would not know it. But in this instance the equalizing of this township (as I have understood) was left to the commissioner of this district and he commenced to equalize the land values by cutting all of township 31, range 11, also all of township 31, range 12, and all of township 32, range 12 (that is in Medicine Lodge township) 25 per cent. But all of township 32, range 11 he only cut 10 per cent. Now where is the justice in that kind of an equalization, providing that I got an equal value on those lands compared to their actual cash value as required by law? and I think that after viewing those lands, that I am as competent to judge as any man sitting in the court house and not seeing the lands, and incidentally owning a large body of land located in the 25 per cent territory. Now to show the difference it makes in the taxable property, I will cite one property in each of these two districts (the 25 per cent and the 10 per cent). H. Kaiser bought his farm about one year ago for about \$15,000.00. Now, allowing that a man will give more, perhaps, than a piece of land is worth for the reason that it is just what he wants, just suits him for a home, I assessed it at \$12,000. Now that land located in the 25 per cent cut district, the owner only pays on \$9,000 instead of \$12,000, as valued by the assessor. Now I will show how township 32, range 11, is discriminated against. The Galtskill farm was sold about a year ago to a man by the name of Coleman for about \$12,000. I assessed that at \$10,000. He being in the 10 per cent cut district, pays taxes on \$8,000 but if he had had the same cut in value that H. Kaiser got, he would have to pay taxes on only \$7,500; but as he only got a 10 per cent cut he pays on \$1,500 more than he should pay, if that section of the township had not been discriminated against 15 per cent. Why not have used them all alike, in the same taxing district, and made a cut of 10 or 25 per cent as he may have thought necessary? The city was left by the gentleman as the assessor and Board of Review left it, and I am sure I came nearer the actual cash value on the city property than I did on farm values. That makes the people of Medicine Lodge pay more than their share of the state, county and school taxes. Believing that wrong is wrong, and that right wrongs no man,

I remain, yours truly,
V. C. SLEEPER.

Notice of Dissolution

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Collins & Tedrow has been this day dissolved. All accounts due the firm should be paid to E. Tedrow, and all bills owing by the firm have been assumed by him.

Dated December 24, 1910.
KIRK M. COLLINS.
D. E. TEDROW.

Attention Odd Fellows

There will be a joint installation between Pioneer Lodge, No. 179, and Naomi Rebekah Lodge, No. 67, I. O. O. F., at the I. O. O. F. Hall Tuesday night, Jan. 3, 1911, commencing at 8 o'clock sharp. All Odd Fellows and all Rebekahs are urgently requested to be present, also the wives of Odd Fellows who are not Rebekahs and the husbands of Rebekahs who are not Odd Fellows, and all other persons invited by either Odd Fellows or Rebekahs.

ALLEN E. HERR,
D.D.G. M.

The Silent Reaper

The funeral of George Tincher, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Tincher, whose death was published last week, was held at the residence on Thursday afternoon. Rev. Howard Cady of St. Mark's Episcopal church, made a consoling funeral address and a mixed quartette composed of Meadames Skinner, Shaw, Forsyth and Mr. Guilford Davis, sang "Asleep in Jesus." The pupils—George's schoolmates—of room No. 2 were dismissed from school and attended the funeral in a body. The funeral was very largely attended and the floral offerings were beautiful and imposing beyond description.

The little form was laid into its final repository in Highland cemetery with simple yet impressive ceremonies.

William H. Ritchie died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. G. Pelton, near midnight, Thursday, December 22, 1910, after a sickness of about a week of la grippe.

Mr. Ritchie was about 55 years of age and had resided in Barber county about two years, having come here from Moniteau county, Missouri. He is survived by four sons and one daughter—Paul, Ray, Grover and William Ritchie, and Mrs. Bertha Pelton, and two sisters—Mrs. R. H. Clay of this city, and Mrs. Buckman who resides in Canada.

The funeral was held at the Christian church, conducted by Elder Bishop M. Hopkins, on Saturday afternoon and the remains interred in Highland cemetery.

The sympathy of the people of the city and community is extended to the bereaved relatives in their sorrow.

OBITUARY

A friend contributes the following:

William H. Ritchie was born in DeKalb county, Mo., Feb. 21, 1854 but with his parents moved to Moniteau county, where he continued to reside until two years ago when he came to Kansas, locating in Barber county, where numerous relatives had preceded him. When but a boy he embraced religion attaching himself to the Christian church and at the time of his death held a membership in that church in Clarksburg, Mo.

Deceased leaves a wife, four sons, Grover, William, Paul and Roy, and one daughter, Mrs. Bertha Pelton, and two sisters, Mrs. R. H. Clay and Nannie Buckman. All the surviving relatives reside in this county with the exception of Mrs. Buckman who is in Canada.

The funeral obsequies were held in the Christian church at 2 o'clock Saturday, Rev. Bishop M. Hopkins officiating; interment in the city cemetery, the white encampment on the hill.

And so another mortal has gone to put on immortality, to live in a land, as we trust and as we believe, for the judgments of God are not as the judgments of men where Christ-ians comes every day, where all the unending years and peace and good will abideth forever.

H. N. L.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank all who so kindly ministered to our beloved father in his sickness, and tendered words of sympathy in his death.

Bertha Pelton.
Roy Ritchie.
Grover Ritchie.
Paul Ritchie.
Wm. Ritchie.

Newspaper Space

Every line in a newspaper costs the publishers something. If it is to benefit some individual, he may fairly expect to pay something. You do not go into a grocery and ask the proprietor to hand you out ten pounds of sugar for nothing, even though the grocer might be a personal friend and even though the gift might not be a large one. If the beneficiary of advertising does not pay for it, the proprietor has to settle the bill. Nevertheless many people cannot seem to learn that a newspaper pays its expenses by renting space, and that it is just as much entitled to collect rent for every day that space is occupied as you are for the house you rent to a tenant.—Governor, N. Y., Free Press.

Prof. I. O. Sherrod and Thos. Marsh of Lake City were county seat visitors on Monday.

Belvidere's Postmaster and Indian Fighter Dead

James A. Maginnis, postmaster and merchant at Belvidere, died yesterday evening at 6 o'clock, at the Kansas sanitarium, of heart disease. He had been ill about three weeks, and had been in the sanitarium for eight days. He was 52 years old.

Mr. Maginnis was an early settler of Kansas, coming here in the days of Indian uprisings. When 18 years old he was a member of the standing militia at Fort Dodge, to protect the settlers against the raids from southern Indians, and had taken part in several engagements.

Since 1888, he had lived constantly in Kansas at Greensburg, Wellsford and Belvidere. He was engaged in the mercantile business at Greensburg and Belvidere, and while at Wellsford he lived on a farm. He has been postmaster at Belvidere for the past seven years.

Mr. Maginnis has been a member of the Baptist church ever since he was 11 years old. He was also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

He was born in Norfolk, Va., in 1858. His parents were natives of Scotland. In 1891 he was married to Miss Mattie Grimes. He is survived by three children, Mable, Nellie and Deam Maginnis. Also he leaves a brother, Hugh Maginnis, and two sisters, Mrs. Anna Flathers and Mrs. Sarah Beaty, who live in Ohio. Mrs. Maginnis is a sister of Mrs. T. H. Huffman of the Baltimore Hotel.

The funeral services will be held at Wellington, Friday, at 2 p. m. The interment will be at Wellington.—Wichita Eagle, Dec. 22nd.

Ole Peterson

Play goes who like to keep abreast of the times in getting familiar with the latest and most popular song hits, should not overlook the first visit to this city of "Ole Peterson," a comedy with music, which is due at the opera house, Friday night, December 30th.

But the musical numbers are only a minor feature of the performance, which reveals one of the most entertaining and humorous comedies seen in many a day, there is not a lull in the merriment from the rise of the curtain until time for home going. It is a scream from start to finish and the best Scandinavian-American Comedy to-day before the public.

Joe Lasswell returned last Friday morning from a visit of three weeks with his brothers, Allen and Jess, at Midway, Texas. He says the crops there were much better this year than here, but all things considered, he prefers this country after all. His brothers are doing well, however, and have a good prospect of realizing handsomely on their investment.

Rain—At Last

The long continued drought was broken yesterday afternoon. A magnificent shower descended and at the time of printing the gentle drops were still pattering on the roof.

It was the first for about six months.

The Gordon Ranch for Sale

I will sell the Gordon ranch in tracts of 400 acres, 800 acres, 2,400 acres, or will sell the ranch in a body if desired, at prices that will attract if you investigate.

This is a desirable ranch, well fenced and finely watered, with plenty of good tillable land, located just 1 mile from good little R. R. town, with good school, bank, large Alfalfa Mill, etc.

F. L. GORDON,
Lake City, Kansas.

To My Customers

I have sold my interest in the Tedrow-Collins blacksmithshop to Mr. Tedrow and am now associated with R. R. Froman. I shall be pleased to meet my old customers at my new location and guarantee prompt and satisfactory service.

KIRK M. COLLINS.

Notice to Stockholders

The annual meeting of The Ranchmen's Telephone Company will be held at Lake City, Kansas, Friday, December 30th, 1910. Every stockholder is earnestly requested to be present.

G. G. SHIGLEY, Pres.

The county commissioners will meet in regular session next Monday.

Revival Meetings at The Baptist Church



Evangelist Theodore Hanson.

Three great services next Sunday will be conducted by Evangelist Hanson as follows: At 11 A. M., 3 P. M., and 7:30 P. M.

Plan to attend all these meetings and remember they continue each evening next week. Good singing, splendid sermons, fine meetings all next week.

The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings.

The following was taken from the Eldorado Daily Republican:

"This closes one of the most remarkable campaigns ever carried on in Eldorado. Most of the spiritual force of all the churches joined hands in this earnest effort to move Eldorado."

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"Street meetings were held in favorable weather during the last two weeks. Twice each day for four weeks Rev. Hanson preached the plain old-fashioned gospel just as Christ preached it. 'The power of God to every one that believeth.'"

"There was nothing of the superficial sensational methods often pursued. An unconditional condemnation of sin, without respect of place or person, and an urgent call to repent and believe in Christ for salvation. The results will be far-reaching."

CLAUDE J. SPIERS, Pastor.

Have you Noticed

That the days are getting longer?

That the word "Yuletide" has ceased to be fashionable?

That the man who tries to "graft" a newspaper is working in a barren field?

That the fellow who is frightened about germs the most is sick the oftenest?

That Dr. Cook's "confession" lacks several leagues of being a confession after all?

That the people who have the seats in the center of the row, usually come to the opera last?

That Roosevelt has begun talking again but still avoids reference to what happened November 8th?

That there are a great many friends who are friends only when you are doing something for them?

That in the case of a United States Senator it requires more than a confession to prove guilt?

That newspapers sometimes become embarrassed by following the whims and desires of old broken down politicians?

That anything said or done by a lecture course actor is always accepted as entirely proper while the same thing said or done by other actors is perfectly shocking?

Ranch Sold

H. S. Sterling, Hardtner's hustling, real estate dealer sold Al Wheat's home ranch on Monday and was in the city closing up the deal yesterday. The ranch is in Eagle township and sold for \$12 per acre. The buyer is F. L. Markham of Anthony. Possession will be given March 1st.

The sale does not mean that Mr. Wheat will leave Barber county. He still has another and larger ranch west of this one which he will improve.

Milton Case went to Kingman on Monday to spend vacation week visiting with friends in that city.

Basket Ball Saturday Night

Two excellent games are promised for Saturday night, the 31st. The Anthony Business College team will be here to play against the M. L. A. A., and the other game will be between the B. C. H. S. girls and the B. C. H. S. Alumni girls.

The Anthony team is rated as one of the strongest in the Southwest, while on the other hand the M. L. A. A. boys have never been defeated.

These games will without doubt be the most interesting thus far played this season.

Methodist Church

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper next Sunday morning.

Subject: "The Divine Partnership."

Rev. Walter Parker will preach in the evening.

GEORGE LEDREW RULISON, Pastor.

Judge H. N. Lester of Lake City was a pleasant caller on Saturday. No political significance.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Jewel of Enid, Oklahoma, arrived on Sunday morning to visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Forsyth. They departed yesterday.

One of Mansfield Daniel's sons, about 14 years old, had the misfortune to break his arm last Sunday, caused by falling from a horse. The family arrived here from Missouri only last week. Dr. Coleman, who is also an ex-Missourian, was called to set the fracture.

Several communications of considerable length go over until next week. It is a difficult matter to handle lengthy articles when they come in as late as Monday afternoon or evening. It is the best plan to hand in long articles the latter part of the week. Remember, Monday and Tuesday are our busiest days.

H. Dubois has just completed the interior finishing of Samuel Griffin's new house. Parties who desire to see the quality of his work should examine this job. "Hank" is certainly "there" when it comes to doing fancy work with the brush. He can give you anything you want—Mahogany, Oak or any other effect.